

AN HVMBLE

Petition offered to

the right reuerend, honourable, and
vvorshipfull estates of this present Parliament
assembled at Westminster Pallace: Wherein the wan-
dering Ghost of the late Pyramis demolished lately in Paris,
discourseth his hard fortunes, trauailes, and strange
accidents to the new Brittain Monarchie,
to whom he wisheth all peace, wealth,
and prosperitie.

*Written by Philopatris, pittying his
downfall, and perswading his new
erecting, and building up againe
in Westminster.*



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To ancient and famous Troynovant.

With sunburnd *Afrike* Europe bore debate,
And France with fertile *Egipt* did cōtend;
With *Memphis* old *Lutetia* stroue of late,
For Monuments; but now that strife hath end:
The Pyramies of *Paris* doo decay,
But *Memphis* stones remaine & stand for aye.
Shall *Afrike* thus triumph in *Europes* shame?
Can *Brittaine* braue, endure so great disgrace?
No, *Troynovant*; flie thou on wings of fame,
From *Memphis* both, and *Paris* take thou place:
Build monuments, in spight of *Popish* fire,
Which *Afrike* both, and *Asia* may admire.



To the high Court of Parliament.



After that my suddaine down-
fall & vnexpected overthrow
(most ancient and famous
great *Brittaine*) was plotted
secretly in *Rome*, prepared
cunningly in *France*, and ex-
ecuted ignominiously not long since by pub-
lique auctoritie in the chiefe Cittie of the
French Kingdome. This favour yet I had for
my continuall and faithfull service done to so
great a King and State, that some of my dea-
rest friends and favourers (whose long plea-
dings in Lawe, strong reasons in equitie, and
earnest sute in Court nothing prevailing for
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the saving of my faultlesse and innocent life) should bee permitted at last after my death, to gather together the fatall reliques and ruines of my sumptuous builded corps, to be secretly laid vp in some sure place, there to be shrouded vnto a better and more favourable age following, from the cruell persecution of my bloudie Esauiticall enemies, seeking and pursuing (like vnto *Herod* through all *Iuda*) from corner to corner for the anatomic of my bruised bones, to be offred vp as a sweete smelling sacrifice to that Antichristian & bloudie Dragon, who daily thirsteth for the poore lyues of such harmlesse creatures as I am, manifesting to the world his foule shame, and monstrous parts. But may it not seeme ouer-strange and meruailous to the eyes and eares of the world, that dumbe and insensible creatures should speake and crie out of cruell iniustice vsed against them? Mervailous indeed it is, because against nature, but not therfore vntrue nor yet vnlikely, considering what the Prophets haue truly fore-told, howe in the latter dayes there should many miraculous thinges fall out, and wonderfull visions appeare, both in heaven & earth. And surely (thou new Monarchie) the eclipse

eclipse of the Sunne scene here of late, with the new starre, but more likeli a prodigious Cōmet in thy Hemisphere, the extraordinarie rednes of the firmament like to bloud, the continuall raines and land flouds, the monstrous births of children, and beastes on the earth, and of fishes in the Sea; but more notable, that a new and vnknowne Astrologer in his Prognostication set out in our Cittie of *Paris*, should fore-shew such strange and incredible matters to come to passe, three moneths before this wonderfull accident was knowne among you, to wit, that this yeare 1603 heere should bee a *turbulent Parliament*, a *black Christmas*, and a *blondie Lent*. Did not all these things agreeing as it were, and conspiring together speake and fore-warne you (beloved great *Brittaine*) even as they had beene reasonable creatures, of the great disastre likely to fall out, comming to my cares. Mervaille not then, if I that had my creation established by the sound advisement and firme decree of the gravest, wisest, and most learned Parliament of the world, & perfected by the sacred influence and infusion of all the Muses through every member of my bodie, & life given to mee by my Sovereigne King, to

witnesse the safetie of his life, should not as well speake, at least my Ghost, as did the counterfet spirit of *Samuel*, and rather to bee better thought of, then it, because both my warrant and cause is approovedly good. But while I stooode long time in a muse, pondering betwixt hope and dispaire, what should become of my wandring soule, and at length, thinking with my selfe, to finde out some *Pythagorean* Philosophers (if anie were yet aliue) for consulting, what bodie should be fittest for my receptacle; certaine my loving friends in this time, inspired (as the sequell shall testifie) with some divine instinct, conuayed me safely to great *Brittaines* Ocean Sea: where *Neptune* receaving me courteously at their hands, commaunded *Æolus* with his fairest and readiest windes safelie and speedilie to transport me from that dangerous shore I was on, to the famous *Microcosme* of ancient *Brittaine*, the great Conquerour, sometime of my ingrate Countrie, as to the chiefe harbour of all poore distressed Pilgrimes. But while *Æolus* was preparing all things necessarie for my safe conduct, *Neptune* willed me, brieflie to report the causes of my suddaine flight and departure from my native Countrie, which

which though at first I was in doubt what to doe, as fearing that hee might either bewray me to mine enemies, when I had told him all, or might stop my passage, if I told him not, at last I resolved vpon all hazards that might follow, to satisfie his demaund, as farre forth, as the shortnes of the time, and perill of the place would permit. Then thus I spake vnto him. The causes that haue compeld mee (O great *Neptune*, thou great God of the Ocean) to seeke thy fauour in this my miserie, are trulie and vpon my allegiance vnto thee, the extreame and more then inhumane persecutions of my bloudie enemies the Iesuites both before, and since my lamentable and vnderferved death & overthrow, procured for no other cause, then for truly witnessing to the world, but more particularly to true Catholique Hugonets, and to all forraine Strangers who might daillie beholde mee in the prime of my tryumphant estate, in the most famous Cittie and place of the vniuerfall world, how this mightie King & martial Monarch *Henry* the fourth, that now raigneth, was treacherously wounded, but yet miraculously preserved of his life, frō the *Esauitical* plot executed by *Chartell*, one of the

novices, trayned vp in their tragicall Schoole erected latelie for teaching of bloudie precepts, for the killing of all such Kings and Princes, as being either Romanists or true Christians, shall be stumbling blocks to hinder the politick courses of their new established Machiavillian Government, *Miserum vox faucibus haeret* I cannot vtter the one halfe I would say, such hast I haue to be gone for the feare & danger I am in, by the furious pursute of my professed enemies, who tyrannouslie triumphing in mine overthrow, mangled all the members of my bodie as was pittifull to see, and yet not so satisfied, will not suffer my broken bones, no, nor my verie Ghost to remaine in rest or safetie within anie part of this ample Kingdom. These men (or to speake more properly monsters of men) being iustlie (and as deservedlie, as ever anie the most haynous malefactors that ever were) bannished out of this Realme by a generall decree of Parliament, without hope of being ever recalled home, or to creepe againe into anie grace or favour of my great Sovereigne, which they had so foulely forfeited, are nowe againe (a wonder it is to heare) after a few yeares exile, come not submissiuely, but

but triumphantly home, glorying in the spoiles of my heauie and sad fall, dying, and lying prostrate at their proud secte. And thus are they growne into great credite and authoritie by the distraction of my Soveraignes late singular favour towards mee, which I surelie hoped, should, nay could never haue been withdrawn, being so fast tied and conglurinate to my person, as a publique decree of the wisest humane wits could devise, and ingraven besides in letters of Gold and Azure, for the more honour and ornament to vs both. But what shal I say, *Nibi sub caelo durable, et Regum gratia sepe mutabilis*: For my craftie enemies had so closed vp and stopped the princelie eares of my Soveraigne (which should haue beene open alike to all Complainers) with a fine and subtil kind of black Cotton cunningly wrought by the finest and most expert *Esausticall* Artificers. that were in all *Italie* and *Spaine*, who bore his Maiestie in hand, that my brused bones broken all to peeces would bee the most effectuell preservative for resisting all pestilent venome of such Hereticks, as should oppose thesclues against the wholesome and sound reestablishment of the Iesuities, adding moreover (no small falsehood)

hoo) that these would prooue heereafter the
 most profitable and serviceable people vnto
 him, that were vnder his obeyfance. So my
 dread Liege being fully possessed by little and
 little with the flie insinuations of this counterfet
 Cotton, neither the credite of fundrie of his
 faithfull Counsaillors, neither the waightie ar-
 guments of the most graue and iudicious Pre-
 sidents of his Parliament, nor the eloquence
 and smooth reasons of learned Advocates, nei-
 ther the subtile inventions and scholastick So-
 phistrie of the Sorbonist Doctors, nor the pit-
 tious plaints of poore Schollers, who delighted
 their eyes, refreshed their mindes, and filled
 their papers and bookes with the learned Mu-
 ses that guarded my square bodie; all these my
 fayourers, I say, and continuall intercessours
 could prevaile nothing with my dread Sove-
 raighe, whose pittie my enemies had captiua-
 ted wholly to their crueltie and malice, that no
 place was left for prayers, nor meanes anie
 longer for my continuance there, but *Discere*
dura pati, and comfort my selfe with that en-
 couragement that vertuous Aeneas gaue to
 his Sea-beaten Souldiours, *Durato et temet re-*
bis servato secundis.

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*Pluck up thy heart, and drive from thee
both care and feare away:
To thinke of this, may pleasure bee
to thee another day.*

Thus remained then no other comfort to me, neare halfe dead before hand through dispaire, but that of necessitie (as I well perceaved) it behooved one to die for the sinnes of this people, and who should that be, but even I poore *Pyramis*, who not long before, had life with the promise of a long life, (but what mortall men can promise life to another, that are not assured of their owne) given vnto mee, for recording their barbarous crueltie, and now againe must loose my life, even in that place, alas, where I first receaved life, and for no other thing, then for testimonie of the truth, and to giue them a surer and longer life by my speedie death, and withall a greater honour and credit by my downefall, then ever they had since their first originall, or ever could hope for themselues in this worlde. And thus is the worlde there turned topsie turvie: The good and faythfull are taken away, and the

and the wicked and vngratious are hoysted vp in their roomes. *O scelus, O mores, O tempora perversa in quibus vixi.* O poore and miserable wretch that I am, what haue I committed, that I should suffer so cruell a punishment? I haue continued there but a small time, considering the eternitie of yeares I should haue indured, erected also in the most eminent place of our Monarchie, to the amazement of my professed enemies; where I indured dailie opprobrious railings and infamous Pasquils on my frontispice, taxing both King, Counsell, Parliament, and State for my sumptuous building in so famous a place, besides my nightlie danger (for witnessing the decree of their banishment for so infamous a fact) to be dismembred, and by the Sturre & tumults of their adherents pulled downe before the morrow, & that not perchance without the shedding of innocent blood. All this and much more it behooved me to indure, yea and much more would I patiently haue suffred, so as I might haue continued there, vntill I had either receaved some recompence for my faithfull service, or had beene bestowed in some other famous place, to haue served for a perpetuall memorie

were all presentlie cloathed in white, playing and singing sweete and melodious congratulations, for the happie deliverie both of their native COUNTRY from that great imminent perill, as also for my fortunate arrivall in so fit a season, whereby I might not onelie testifie to them my Countries crueltie, and her ingratitude towards mee, but that I might likewise in short successe of time eternize my name, by offering my service in publishing by open testimonie both to the great and little World, a more horrible and damnable fact, then before I served for. And so being a little comforted and put in some good hope by this their newes, my faint spirit begins to take fresh courage, and to strengthen my weake limbes, so that I began to march a faster pace, then before I was accustomed to, with desire to learne more certaintie of this newes, which yet was a mysterie vnto me: and casting mine eyes round about mee, to see if I could discerne anie thing, I perceaved betwixt mee and the skie, beeing then the dawning of the day (before *Phœbus* had sent abroad his rayes for the clearing of the ayre with vniuersall light) the whole companie of the sacred Muses adorned

ned with their ever flourishing greene Lawrel
Garlands, who holding in their hands sundry &
severall instruments of musique, made the hills,
valleyes, and groues to resound with their hea-
venly harmonic, melodious Songs, sweet son-
nets, and shrill Ecchoes of their learned Poeti-
call inventions in all languages; and all this they
did to signifie the exceeding ioy they had late-
ly conceived of the thrice happie deliverance
of that their great friend, darling, & favourer,
the most wise, prudent, learned, mightie, wor-
thie, and in all heroicall vertues and valour, the
most rare and great *Apollo*, whom *Mars* that
sterne God of bloudie battaile evermore en-
vied and hated even to the death, for no other
cause (as can bee coniectured, or as *I* could
learne out of their rare Ditties and Sonnets)
then onelie, for that he was entred into a sin-
cere league and sweete societie of the cele-
stiall Graces, the devine Muses, and sacred
Peace, (whereto hee was preordayned at the
verie houre of his nativitie) and thereby, and
by meanes of the common tranquillitie there-
of ensuing, had brought and deduced from
aboue, into this little world, & from thence de-
rived to all the most famous parts of the great
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world, such manifold and exceeding rich gifts, bounteous favours, and invaluable benefits & blessings, as the like had either seldome, or not at all beene enjoyed in anie former age, for which he was (as he well deserved) vniuersallie admired, honoured, and blessed over all. And therfore the greater indignation boiled in the breast of angrie *Mars*, who ever more grudging at humane felicitie, left no meanes or waies vnought or vnattēpted, whereby to bring our great Patron & Benefactor, and consequentlie this little world to confusion. And such was his innated hatred against him, even when he was yet in his Mothers bellie, knowing by the favourable aspects of *Sol* & *Venus*, that he should proue a most potent, prudent, wise, & blessed Prince of Peace, beloved both of Gods & mē, that he this wicked *Mars* set on his cruell Sergeant the elder *Gowrie* to haue murdered that most noble *Heroine* the Queene his mother, & this blessed fruit of her womb, at one stab. And being prevented by divine providence of his malignitie, in this his abominable intention, after manie other mischievous plots and practises (all of them, as all other shall ever be made frustrate by the high hand of iust *Joſeph*) he conspired

spired with that variable *Aeolus* GOD of the
windes (who either by faire meanes, or sharpe
menaces of anie great Power is lightlie wonne
to worke the worst mischiefe he can) to giue
full scope and free licence to his turbulent and
vnrulie windes, at such time, as our bright day-
starre *Apollo* having accomplished the notable
solemnitie of those famous nuptialls in the
strong *Dacian* Kingdome, the middle Region
of *Europa*, with his peerelesse Paragon, of all
rich perfection the diuine *Cynthia* (otherwise
then by himselfe immatchable) had imbarqued
him with his most lovelie beloved above all o-
ther, sailing from thence through the Ocean,
towards his ancient Kingdom the lesser *Albion*,
lying to the north of *Albion maior*, (now both
by his Highnes happilie reduced to one Mo-
narchie) then was seene the boisterous rage of
blustering *Boreas* and his rude companions, do-
minceering with might and maine vncontroled
in *Neptunes* maine dominion, (but without that
great Gods assent or knowledge) as sometime
by the like permission of their flexible Master
Aeolus at the request of angrie *Juno*, they pra-
ctised the like peremptorie pranks (vnwitting
to *Neptune*) vpon the vertuous and valorous

Prince *Aeneas* in the Tyrrhene Seas. So that colleaguings themselves with that great Sorceresse *Circe*, and a great number of her most impious and detestable impes, all practising to drowne and destroy our *Apollo* and his fairest *Cynthia* with all their noble traine (as after vpon their conviction they freely confessed) they sturdilie heaved, tossed, and tumbled the fearefull billowes, hoysing one while his drearie ships vpon the high-raised waues almost to the azureskie, and then throwing them downe againe as lowe as the foundations of the earth. Yet notwithstanding all their furious tumults, and violent commotions, Almightye *Joue* (whose name be therefore magnified for ever) beholding this outragious tempest, and knowing the wicked occasion thereof; brought them safe and sound to their own desired continent & Country. Which, when *Mars* vnderstood, he stāped & stared, foming at the mouth, and his eyes sparkling like fire for verie anger, that his conspiracie prevailed not, he fared like a mad man, and vowing still to pursue him with immortall hatred, swore by the black river of *Stix*, that his day of *Mars* wheron he was born, should ever proue the most fatall day of all other vnto him. And for that purpose he combined

ned himselfe with *Pluto* that dreadful Prince of *Erebus*, who complotting together, brought it so to passe vnder cunning pollicies and faire shewes of great matters, that cōcerned his own person, state, and Kingdome, to bring him by the earnest labour of one of his deare favourites, to the dishonourable and disloyall house of the other Sergeant of *Mars* the younger & last *Gowry*, the bloudie nephew of a cruel traiterous Grandfire, where having locked him vp in a close roome in the hands of their sworne friends, his mortal enemies, he had no way nor meanes to escape, but even miraculously by his own stout manhood, or rather Heroick magnanimitie, & the succour of a few of his faithful servants, but chiefly againe by the almightie providence of high *Joue*, waiting over him, at all times and places for his safeguard, hee was also delivered out of that danger. Then were *Mars* & *Pluto* more enraged then ever before, gnashing their teeth, and cursing and banning the fiends and furies, that had no more pollicie or power to accomplish their infernall plot, they were almost at a point to haue giuen over anie longer pursuit of their cōspiracies, but that *Pluto* bethought himselfe of his deare son the red & bloudy Dragon, who through long & continual practise

for manie ages, of all sorts of hellish stratagems, horrible massacres, blacke murders, deceitfull lies, and false miracles was growne to bee as much famed and feared in the world, as himselfe, so as it might be a question disputable in Schooles, whether Sathan the roaring and devouring Lyon, or his sonne the Pope, that red & bloudie Dragon was to be held for the greatest and chiefest lier and murtherer. *Pluto* therefore crying out, *Flectere si nequeo superos, Acheronta mouebo*, they began to be recomforted in his deare sonne, of their wicked hopes & diuellish drifts for the acting of their bloudie Tragedie, (as the last hope of all their mischiefs). And so adioyning themselves to this other great enemy of mans welfare, who was exceeding proude to haue the manning of that action referred to him, wherein the Prince of Devils had failed, conceaued presently a more horrible plot, then all the Strygian furies called together in a common Counsell could haue devised, not onely against the sacred person & life of *Apollo*, but also his diuine *Cynthia*, and all their Godlike progenie, & all the Heroes, Prelates, Nobles, Statesmen, and chiefe Gentry vnder his Domination; all whom, and many

manie moe, by force of his invention, he made
 sure account to haue destroyed vpon that omi-
 nous day of *Mars*, with one blow of his fatall
 engine. Which complot hee gaue in charge
 for the more suretie to certaine of his trustie
 Engineers the *Esauiticall* band (whose charge,
 profession, and practise, is nothing else but the
 vndermining and blowing vp of Princes, great
 States, and Kingdomes) to see the same with
 all secret conveyance and diligence put in ex-
 ecution. Never before was heard of, the like
 inhumane stratagem, though manie cunning &
 cruell conspiracies proceeding from this terri-
 ble Dragon, had often been attempted against
 our *Apolloes* Predecessour, his most honoured
 and hallowed virgin sister, the great & migh-
 tie *Diana*, whom hee most maliced and hated
 deadlie aboue anie other Potentate on the
 earth, for that she as a most vertuous and cou-
 ragious Princeesse, and Faiths valorous Cham-
 pioneesse, had not onelie given to him a wide &
 dangerous wound, that still, & still shall ever to
 his dying day put him to most grievous paine;
 but also destroyed a great number of mischie-
 vious monsters that were conceived and crept
 forth out of his soule mouth. All his practises

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notwithstanding, and though he did the verie worst he could, could nothing prevaile against her most blessed life, raigne, state, & government, but that for 44 yeares together and upward, while she ruled the famous Kingdome of *Albion maior*, to the high pleasure of Almighty *Joue*, a more flourishing and blessed estate was there scene, then was ever heard of in those times, when divine *Astrea* lived and ruled among earthly men. And in this meane time, while as the Almighty God perceaving this earthly Kingdome of her most happie and gracious Maiestie, to bee compassed and clogged with so many daily conspiracies and dangers, and that her sacred person having by the due course of nature runne out, & ended the glasse of her thrice happie and most renowned government; than it pleased him in his great and loving favour and mercie (most happily and peaceably without anie danger or disturbance to her well long governed Kingdomes) to translate her hence to the highest Emperiall heaven, there to live and raigne in the greatest glorie with his Angels to all eternitie. Constituting in her place this our *Apolla*, whom hee hath predestinated to vanquish, and finally destroy

stroy this monstrous red Dragon, whereby he shall purchase so much the greater glorie and immortall renowne to himselfe, then did the olde *Apollo*, by killing the huge serpent *Python*, by how much this Dragon is a thousand folde more great, virulent, violent, terrible, strong, and horrible then that was. This is the great cause indeede, why *Mars* fretteth, *Pluto* sumeth, the Dragon rageth, and all iointlie conioyne and conspire with all their forces against the life and state of *Apollo*, for whose most happie preservation from all their intended mischiefes, the melodious *Muses* sang *Jo Pean*, with manie heavenlie notes (sweeter farre then the concentfull harmonie of the sphericall Orbes) full of ioy and triumph. But reserving the residue of the rarest and secretest matter of their divine songs, vntill I shall see the end of my trauailes, I will briefelic shewe, what further befell mee. Thus being heereby somewhat more confirmed of the truteth of so woonderfull newes, and aduauncing my steps forward to see the end and successe of these strange incounters, I cast my sleeptic eyes here & there (the day being all spent, and

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blacke and raynie clouds covering the bright
starres in the firmament) when loe in an instant,
there appeared to me, as it were Vulcan in fi-
erie sparkes & shining flames of great burning
fires, environing me on all parts, where I went.
I misdoubring at first, that *Vulcan* and *Pluto* had
conspired the burning of the whole Island I
was entred into, resolved with my selfe (if it
were possible) to returne and escape so great
and imminent a danger. But being soone ad-
vertised, that the matter was nothing so, as I
supposed, but that these fires were kindled on-
lie for ioy, according to the commendable cu-
stome of this Island, when any good newes hap-
peneth to the State, or Countrie: Behold, I
was no sooner rid of this feare and perplexitie,
but that I might see three severall Currors of
sundrie nations (as appeared by their cogni-
zances on their brest) going for *France*, *Spaine*,
and *Italie*, and seemed to bee verie passionate
and sad by their countenance and cariage, whi-
ther it were for the ill successe of the plot then
discovered, or for that they feared, the passa-
ges were all stopt, so as they could not giue the
first advertisement to their Maisters, I leaue
them to your good and friendly consideration
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(great Brittain) who can better iudge in their matters, and tell by the Weathercocke what quarter the wind holdeth,thē I poore Pilgrime. Yet thus farre I can say of them,that their courtesie and favour was such to me a poore stranger, that they could not afford me one *Awe*,but making sighes, and crosses vpon their faces and breasts,looked and beckened so on me, as to a Hugonet . But I fore fearing , that they had beene Sergeants at armes sent after me for my apprehension, where soever they might finde me, was glad to make a low curtisie, and passe by them, with as much speed as my wearie feet could carie mee, and having posted a mile further (without once looking backe) It was my good hap to meete with two English Postes, bearing the red rampant Lyon on their brests; who were so full of indignation , as that after my double salutations, they could not for anger speake vnto me, and shewing a sad & sorrowfull countenance, whither it were,that the stranger Postes had got the start of them, or fearing that thorough favour they might get passage before them , to carrie the first newes to their Maisters , and other forraine Princes, or for what other cause I know not,nor was it

fit for me, being a stranger and a bannished Pilgrime to be *nimis curiosus in aliena republica*. Yet staying, and viewing one another more nearlie, I began to remēber my selfe, that I had seene these two English Postes oftentimes not onely passe by me in their going to the Pallace of *Paris*, but that they had bin also accustomed theretofore, in pointing out their fingers to me, as to a rare myracle, to shew to their Cōūtrie men newly come over, my whole Genealogie, birth, & memorable storie: And on the other side, one of thē being well travaild in all Countries, by his imployment in the service of the late renowned Queene your Ladiē, & given withall to the observations of antiquities abroad, drew out his bookes of those matters, which hee ever caried about him into forraine parts, and turning the leaues over, he finds the whole discourse of my life, which pondering to and fro in his mind, he begins to looke on mee more nearly & circumspectly, & (the architecture of my stately building being yet fresh in his memorie) he fell somewhat to blesse himselfe, & after to craue pardon of the oversight, (as hee said) of his duty to me, by whō he had receaved so many curtesies for his Country mē, & other stran-

strangers, while I stood aliue, & in credit with the great Princes & Peeres of the Realm of France; then both of the with a laughing countenance striving which of them should first embrace & welcom me, were so astonished at my presence; as they stood in doubt, whither they should reioyce at my coming over, or lament for my exile and hard fortune, I was fallen into. But yet vpon better advise, they reioyced rather, that it had pleased the mightie *Jehouah*, to bring me safe into this famous Island, and that I had arrived in the best opportunitie, that ever could haue beene wished, affirming that Gods great and miraculous providence was so favourable vnto me, that wheras my sworne & cruell *Esauiticall* enemies hoped to haue triumphed in my late down-cast, & consequently haue buried me in everlasting oblivion, they should now be frustrate of their vngodly hopes, saying thus vnto me. Be of good comfort renowned *Pyramis*, thou shalt bee more welcome to this our newe Monarchie, then were thy enemies to their home-caller and restorer; and whereas thou wert permitted there to stande scarce the space of the fourth part of an age, in thy glorious Trophee, as a witnesse of two teeth strucken out of the mouth of the Lódes

annointed, and for preserving one King, which their novice and parricide *Chastell* had intended to haue killed, and for putting but one Kingdome in danger of forfeiture to the Pope their Creator, which before in colour of a false presupposed right, hee pretended he had given to the holy Leaguers, and their coniured adherents, by excommunicating that your sacred Monarch; we doubt not, but heere thou shalt shortly serue for a greater vse, and more glorious end, to bee erected as a witnesse and perpetuall Record of the wonderfull & thrice happie deliverie of our great and sacred King the rarest & most learned King that ever bare Scepter either in this Island, or in any age present, or past; of his most gracious Queene that shall be by the loving favour of the Almighty, the ioyfull and blessed mother of many Kings & Queenes; his tender & deare sonne & heire, a Prince of the greatest hope of his age; the rest of his royall Progenie, all the reverend Bishops, graue Counsaillours, and Iudges, all the ancient Nobility, Gentillity, & Burgessees chosen and deputed for Commissioners to a solemne Parliament, and of many thousand more that were attendant to that solemnity, and of a
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number of forraine Embassadours, if they had come thither, as was supposed, they should; All these, and many more, which were all in a moment to haue beene blowne vp, by a false and cruell Foxe, (for so was his name) sent forth out of some of the Popes dennes, or rather *Plutoes* dungeons, to kill, rent, and blow vp all the innocent & simple sheepe of Christes Fold, in this new established Monarchie, at one blow. This was one of the Popes Cannons, that hath been making this yeare & halfe, by his finest & most subtil-pated Artificers, which he had hired for this horrible worke of his, and this blow should haue beene given by such a small Cannon, that was charged with no more then 34 great barrells of powder, and with 14 stone of gad Iron for her bullet. All the thundring Cānons forged & made in the bloudie Counsell of *Trent* were not so dangerous, as this one was. And yet true it is, that a few of these Cannons of *Trent* blew vp in *Paris* in one night, & one morning tenne thousand people, besides 20000 they blew vp in other Townes a little after, where one barrell of powder furnished all those Cannons. But the greatest difference was this, they there killed but thousands

of poore Hugonets, but heere they aymed their
murdring shot against King, Queene, Prince,
Dukes, Earles, Barons, Prelates, Counsaillours,
Iudges, and Gentilltie of the Land; there they
preserved Houses, Pallaces, Chappels, and
Schools; but here they would haue blowne vp
the most statelie buildings, Churches, Pallaces,
and Schooles that pertained to the Crown, yea
the treasure and Records of the Kingdome;
there they spoiled the living onely, but heere
they would haue burnt and blowne vp the sa-
cred and dead bodies of the famous Kings, Cō-
querours, Queenes, & Princes, sleeping in their
sumptuous Toombs, as the rich and costly beds
of their last honours they had heere vpon the
earth. There they imagined by killing of
King *Henry* the third, and wounding the fourth
Henry, to haue wrought the overthrow & de-
solation of one ancient Kingdome; but here of
three severall most ancient and warlike King-
domes of Christendome. But having not lea-
sure to stand on more particulers, what shall I
say to thee (O thou thrice happy exiled *Pyra-
mis*) of these their never before invented cru-
elties. *Talia borret meminisse animus*. O this wic-
ked treacherie, and false periurie of theirs! O
cruell

cruell conspiracie, and Græcian perfidie! O Sathanicall enimitie, & more then Neronian cruelty! O Scythian barbarity, and Iudaisme infidelity! O Gentilisme vanity, & more the Heathenish impietie! and finally, O poysoned Papisticall idolatry of theirs, proceeding from their blind & devilish devotion, the ground of their abominable & hellish treason. The treacherous conspiracie of wicked *Hæmon* that he wrought against the Iewes, to haue had them all killed in one day, wheresoever they should be found in the vast Dominions of the great Monarch *Assuerus*, is not comparable to this: Nor the cruelty of *Mithridates*, who in one night & a day killed thirtie thousand Romanes: Nor the tyrannie of wicked *Nero* who killed his mother, his master, & that burnt almost whole *Rome* the chiefe Citie of the world, with a number of other cruelties that hee committed: Nor the blood-thirstie mind & wicked desire to raigne of *Caligula*, who wished the whole Senate and chiefe men of the *Romane* Empire, to haue had but one necke, that hee might haue stricken it off at one blowe: Neither the secret and bloudie conspiracie of treacherous *Ca-tiline*, who had priuile plotted not onelie the

death of the whole Senate, and chiefe men of name in *Rome*, but also had destinated the most of his owne kindred to that cruell slaughter: Neither the damnable *Sicilians* evening sacrifices committed by them vpon the *French* men: Nor the Mattens of *Paris* performed by the *French* themselues in massacring their owne Country men and dearest friends, can in no degree be matched with this vnnaturall cruelty of theirs. And which is most strange how it could be, all this their whole pernicious & detestable enterprise of our tyrannous Traytors and cruell bloud-sucking Papists, that had been more then a yeare in hatching, was so cunninglie & secretly contrived and mannaged by the subtile and Machiavillian practises of some few malecontented Gentlemen ioyned to the Iesuites and Seminarie Priests, who had the chiefe employment for matters both of Counsell & execution, that it was brought forward vnknown & vnrevealed even to the space of a verie few houres, before the time of putting the same in execution; & according to the relation of the chiefe Counsaillours of our Estate, if the Almighty God had not miraculously made our gracious Soveraigne, by divine inspiration rather,

ther, then by humane wisdom and fore-sight,
to cause diligent inquirie to bee made of such
suspect places of the Parliament house, as his
Maiestie greatlie misdoubted after the reading
of a mysticall & strange letter, out of the which,
his Highnes collected & apprehended more,
then a great part of his Counsell could, doubt-
lesse this monstrous contrived treason would
haue sorted to that wicked destined event.
Therefore O glorious, wise, and ever famous
King, preserved wee hope, for a greater worke
of God, that by thy providence and sacred ex-
periences hast saved thy selfe, thy succession &
Kingdomes, a worke which time and memorie
shall never deface, but shall be eternized to the
worlds end, to thy immortall glorie and re-
nowme. But O thou mightie *Iehouah*, to whom
the highest glorie shall be ascribed, that so mi-
raculously hast preserved thy own annointed,
and with him thy deare Church, which was en-
vironed with such incomparable daunger that
never was heard of before, neither was ever
hatched the like by all the cursed brood of Sa-
than, vntill this never before expected wicked
time. Thus ending his tragicall discourse, I
became so astonished and amazed thereat, as I

became speechlesse, and as halfe dead, vntill these Currors began friendly to comfort mee : assuring mee , that the Almighty of his great providence had brought me here, that where-as my enemies the Iesuites & Seminary Priests, and their bloudie associates and followers, hoped to haue gotten credit and eternall reputation by the downe-cast of me poore *Pyramis* at home in *Paris*, that now I should be in a sure way of preferment, by the gracious assistance of the most High, and the favour and pietie of the great, mightie, and religious Monarch, and this estate of the new Monarchy, & little world, to receaue heere a greater glorie and honour by my newe erection in so famous an ancient Countrie, and place, then the disgrace I had in *France* by my overthrowe : and that where my enemies intended to haue raced out vterly all remembrance of me, they should make me *spis invidis etiam nolentibus*, to be more renowned then ever I was before, and more infamie to redound to them in the succeeding ages, the did to *Grastratus* that made himselfe infamous to this day, by burning that rare & sumptuous temple of *Diana* in *Ephesus*, held for one of the seaven mervailles of the world; and whereas I had continued there scarce the quarter of a
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mans age, they hoped, that I should stand heere and indure to the worlds end: & whereas I was builded there in the ruines of a Merchants house, that heere I should be erected in the ruines of *Plutoes* destinated Pallace, to stand as a witnesse of their damnable plot for the perpetuall ruine & downefall of many hundred faire houses of Nobility & Gentry: and that where my erection was there decreed by one Court of Parliament of *Paris*, consisting only of Presidents & Lawyers, that here I should be ordained & confirmed by the Sovereigne Monarch; and three Estates of Parliament, sollemnlie to stand in Amphitheatrick forme, after the ancient Romane manner. PROPTER REGEM, REGNUM, ET SUBDITOS SERVATOS. For preserving the King, Kingdom, & Subjects, in that same place where the fact & cruell conspiracie was intended to haue beene put in execution, And thus having discoursed vnto me this strange conspiracie, (of all conspiracies that ever were the most capitall) & encouraged me vpon an assurance of my advancement, they courteously took their leaues, after they had directed me to the famous Abbey of *Westminster*, whitherward I hied me fast, that there I might complaine & lament among the graues of the dead, therby to
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all zealous and well affected *Brittaine* Commissioners of all the three States in Parliament, that detest the crueltie of so great & horrible a crime, & hate the mischievous plotters of such haynous treason, to be intercessors and petitioners to their dread Sovereigne, for my erection and advancement to the Office of High Recorder of the preservation of this new Monarchie of great *Brittaine*, and that place no longer to be a Parliament-house, that was dedicated to *Pluto* and his infernall Furies, but that I may succcede thereto, (after that it shall by a generall decree bee cast downe) as a iust demolisher of that Stygian field. I say no more now for very faintnes, but *Misericordia Desuper omnia opera*, giving thanks in the meane time to the Author of my first life, and to him next, whosoever he be, that hath preserved my reliques and broken bones to so happy a time, thereby to giue me a second life, as if I were a new *Phenix* rising out of my burnt ashes, to make the world hereafter wonder at, & detest more and more the crueltie of the Pope that bloody Dragon, and his diuelish children, and from terrifying such miscreants ever hereafter in any age subsequent, to attempt the like against

gainst the Lords annointed & his Church, fully
perswading my selfe, that this great worke of
the Lord in discovering so horrible a fact, by
which, they promised to themselves a finall &
infallible overthrow of Christs Church, and
true religion in this Island, shall be the meanes
by Gods wonderfull favour & iudgement, that
out of this Isle shortlie shal march that mightie
and fearefull Lyon, that beares in his Scutcheon
that martiall poesie *Parcere subiectis, et debellare
superbos*, who shall overthrowe the bloudie
Dragon, that Antichristian beast, with all his
whelps in his devouring denne, and shall esta-
blish Gods word there, which they purposed to
haue extinguished heere. And I thinke verily,
that this is their last blow, that ever they shal be
able to strike, and which by the reverberating
force of it shall be the most dangerous & dead-
lie to themselves, & for their owne overthrow,
yea forer then *Luthers*, that was the greatest
wound that the Romish Antichristian Church
receaved in our memorie, and which (as I trust)
shall drive them in time to acknowledge their
wickednes and blindnes, and to embrace the
true faith in humilitie, and to craue me pardon
for my downe-cast and bannishment from my

native Countre. And thus having made relation to thee (O renowned Monarchie of great *Brittaine*) both of my passed and present fortunes, and of the strange accidents that haue hitherto happened vnto me, I implore thy gracious ayde & accustomed bountie never denied to any oppressed stranger, in vouchsafing to become an earnest intercessor for me, to the high & most sacred Maiestie of thy great Sovereign (in whose potencie, & your authority, the hope not onely of my preferment, but the certain accomplishment of all those great matters before spoken of, assuredly consisteth) that I may be receaved and brought to the presence and most comfortable favour of his princely mercies, that by thē I may haue a new life breathed into me, and be preferred to that eminent place, where I may best performe (as dutie and thankfulness shall binde me) both to his Highnes and thy excellencie, that worthie and faithfull service, that shall neuer be but exceedingly well thought, & highly comended to all posterity. And to my auspicious mind, no fitter place for demonstration of my dutifull seruice (I speak not I protest out of ambition, or anie vicious humor) can be assigned me, thē that Parliament house,

house, which these Monsters of mankind, the Popel & his miscreant crue had meant to haue subverted & demolished by *Plutoes* & *Vulcans* violent and boystrous fires & flashing thunderbolts, and so to haue made & consecrated it as a ruinous & fit Pallace for the habitation of the black infernall Prince, & his damned spirits and Ministers of darknes. But that I may with the greater right, and without cavill of curious or captious heads stand there au^thorized, Let me also request this fauour at your handes (most mightie Monarchie) to move & stir vp the wel affected mindes & fierie zeales of the States of your Parliament, that at the next Session, I being as yet but an Alian heere, may by Statute & decree be naturalized, and infranchized as a borne subiect within your territorie, & so thereafter to be erected and stand in the place that was destinated for *Plutoes* Pallace, as a perpetuall monument and Record of this horrible conspiracie, & of thine, & our Monarchs most happy cōseruation, & as a caveat to the ages following of the Papistical treasons of the Romish Church, which I hope shall shortly inferre an end to that long vsurped tyrannicall raigne. And so perswading my selfe, that if neither

my poore and pittious distressed estate; neither the fine eloquence of the bannished *Pyramis* it selfe, speaking to you in his owne *French* language: newly set forth in your owne tongue, cannot perswade you to immortalize your own deliverie from the greatest apparant daunger that ever befell to you. I say, if this above mentioned reason, cannot move you to testifie in some measure, the earnest desire you haue to make this notable deliverie of G O D to bee knowne to the ages subsequent by my publike erecting again in a glorious *Pyramis*, by testifying your inward thāksfulnes to him by this outward monument for your preservation: Yet I beseech you, although I seem perchance a stranger in outward shew, suffer me nevertheless as a loving Patriark & simpathizing Christian, in the common cause, that these two great & wonderfull works of the Almighty God, (may at least move and touch your hearts, from the highest degree to the lowest, from the head to the bodie, and so to all the members of this your Monarchie) I meane his great mercie towards you all, and his fearefull iudgement against your enemies in this never to be forgotten thrice happie and admirable deliverie. His
mercies,

mercie, I say, appeares not onely in discoverie
of your danger, but in disappointing of their
cruell Parricide, and in preserving your lyues
from the snares of the bottomlesse Locusts of
hellish *Babilon*, his iudgement againe in the o-
ther part is to be admired, in suffering a great
part of them to bee apprehended, and made a
perpetuall spectacle to all posteritie, by a iust
and most severe punishment, and the chiefeft
of them to haue suffered that same crueltie of
punishment, by Gun-powder, which they or-
dained for your death. *Blessed therefore be the* Psal. 17.
Lord of Hostes in all his workes, for his mercies
be everlasting, and his iudgements unsearchable.
And let this againe be your morning and eve-
ning sacrifice, recommended to all Christians
of mercie and of iudgement both, O Lord, my Psal. 103.
song shall bee: But if all this cannot perswade
you to erect mee for a publique Monument of
your deliverie, yet let the godlie example of
Abraham, Isaack & Jacob, stir you vp to this,
who in their often deliveries & favours recea-
ved at the hands of God, erected both Altars
and Monumēts of stones, as witnesses of Gods
inestimable favours & blessings towards them,
to their posteritie; and seeing also that, that spi-

rituall Monument of publique prayers religiouslie ordained by his sacred Maiestie to bee celebrated through all his Kingdomes, for stirring vp of all mens affections in thankfulnessse to G O D, appeares almost in the verie beginning to bee neglected, both in Court, Countrie, and Citie; at least permitte then the erection of this temporall and materiall Monument, to bee an occasion and a meanes not onelie to lifte vp your externall eyes to G O D, but also rather to lift vp the eyes of your mindes and hearts to the memorie of G O D S mercie towards you all, and of his iudgement vpon your enemies. I could speake farre more in this so ample and worthis Subiect, if I should not bee thought too forward in so good a cause: but howsoever I, or the *Pyramis* that hath made mee thus to speake, bee liked of, so that I haue preserved my selfe farre from *Joue et fulmine*, I care the lesse the censure of the rude, and vnlearned that knowes not, but *extra crepidam*, neither would I with the covetousnesse of the rich, nor the envie of the malecontent, nor the partialitie of the indifferent, neither the
favourer

favourer of Poperie, hinder so good a worke,
neither dislike of mee the Patronizer there-
of: adding onelie this short caveat, with
your good leaue and friendlie favour, that
if the least countenance of clemencie shall
bee showne to the Romaine conspiratours
and their associates, either nowe or heere-
after: it is to bee feared, that your clemen-
cie shall bee called crueltie, and your cou-
rage cowardnesse, and your loue hatred:
And last of all, your Religion and Zeale to-
wardes Christes Church and your Countrie,
shall bee thought Atheisme and Poperie.
Which GOD forbid should ever come to
passe in such a Christian and flourishing Mo-
narchie, where Christes word is so vniuersal-
lie & religiouslie preached. And if that you ei-
ther saue any of the greatest or meanest sort of
those coniured Traytours that bee nowe in
hands; but especiallie the Iesuites and Semi-
narie Priests, the chiefe inventours of all those
pestilent plots, & ringleaders of the rest to this
damnable Rebellion, either for feare, favour,
or for anie other worldlie or politick respect:
I feare not onely all such that feares God truly
at home, but all sincere and faithfull Christian
neighbours

neighbours abroad shall suspect you as betray-
ers both of Christes Church, his true religion,
your gracious King, Countre, yea your owne
lyues, to your verie enemies : and to this
end surelie the eies and cares of all those which
be bound by the band of Vnitie in true religi-
on in all forraigne Kingdomes, are bent to at-
tend and heare of the good successe of so great
a worke, put in your hand at this time ; so per-
swading themselues in this meane time, that
seeing it had pleased God to haue blest you by
all other Nations and Kingdomes of the earth,
with so wise, learned, and religious a King, so
graue, godlie, expert, & foreseeing a Parliamēt,
wherein I wish, *Abrahams* faith, *Salomons* wise-
dome, *Dauids* zeale, *Jonathans* faithfulness, *Io-
suahs* courage, and *Judiths* spirit and resoluti-
on, may appeare in everie one of you at this
present, having also so faithfull and obeyfant
Magistrates and Subiects to execute, what-
soever your sacred King and three Estates shal
decree in this present Parliament, expecting
in this meane time at your hands, such godlie,
necessarie, and strict lawes, with their due exe-
cution without delay & acception of persons,
as Christes Church and true religion, may be
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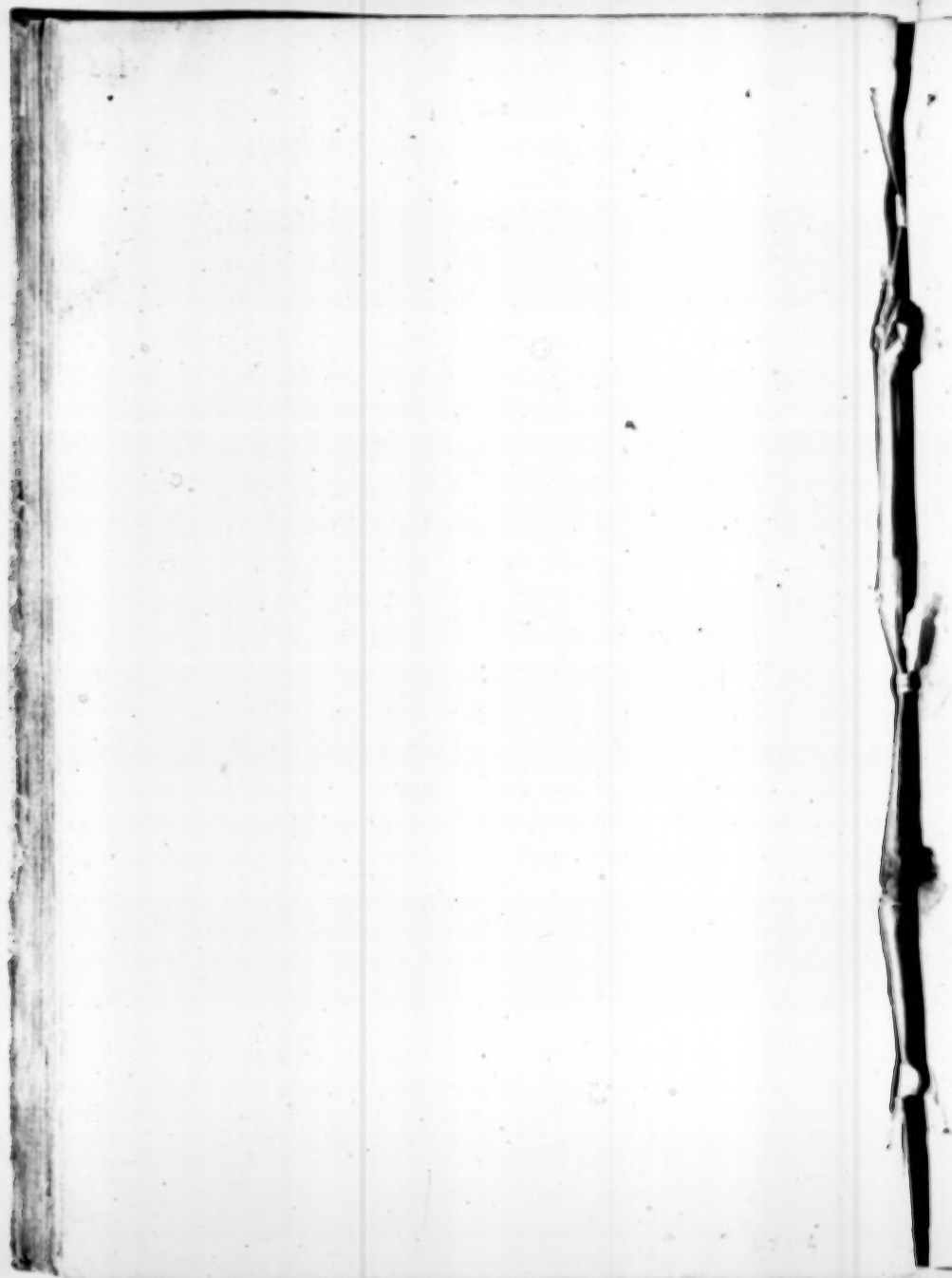
without all feare of danger; and on the other part the Papiſts your enemies, may be in ſuch ſure guard, with a care to diſarme them, and inable them of all ſuch meanes whatſoever, as in anie way heereafter may giue but the leaſt ſuſpition of anie thing, that may indanger his Maieſties perſon, ſucceſſion, & Kingdoms, either by theſelues heere at home, or otherwiſe abroad, by their favourers and associates. And ſo conſider with thy ſelfe (beloved great *Brittaine*) the ſinguler goodnes of thy God towards thee, and thine annointed King, in delivering you both (who were appointed as ſheepe to the ſlaughter) from that moſt barbarous & ſavage imminent maſſacre, and vnnaturall conſpiracie (no age ever yeelding example of like cruelty) & that thy deliverie & ſafetie came not of thy merit, but of Gods great mercie, not thy foreſight, but his providence, not thy loue to God, but his to thine annointed King and his choſen people. Forget not therefore, to praiſe, thank, and glorifie the Lord of Hoſtes continually, for his mervailous and moſt mercifull work of thy preſervation and ſafetie, for his mercie endureth for ever, Which that thou, and thy faithfull people, and their ſeed after them, may not

onelic the better remember and be taught to doe, but learne also to abhorre the odious haينousnes of so foule a fact: Let it be (as it is most worthie to be) written and engraven in my Pillar of lasting Marble *ad perpetuam rei memoriam*. And so praying the most High to blesse your good proceedings and well intended indeuours with happie & prosperous successe to his glorie, the good of his Church your owne comforts, and the conversion (if it may be) or else the confusion of his and your enemies; I conclude with this my last request, that such obdurate & stiffe-necked Papiſts, as will not be yoked or reclaimed from their grosse & abominable idolatries and wicked superstitions, but still like Swine swell and swell themselues with the filthie dregs, that the great whore of Romish *Babylon* giveth vnto them, refusing to be cured by the healthie and wholsome potion of Gods most holie truth, may not bee suffred to dwell together with mee in this land; for neither is it lawfull for such to liue amidst Gods chosen Heritage, to defile the Land with their filthines, nor (if they should) can my life bee without continuall hazard and danger, by their secret and villainous attempts. Call vpon thy
King

King therefore, to execute iustice & iudgment
in cutting off these workers of iniquitie, whose
religion is rebellion, whose faith is faction,
whose pietie is wicked pollicie and practise of
murdring both soules & bodies of Kings, and
all estates of people, and to roote and rid them
cleane out of the confines and limits of thy
whole Monarchie, which being clearely pur-
ged of them, may ever heereafter growe vp,
prosper, and flourish in quiet safetie, sound
health, and invincible strength in everie mem-

ber of the whole bodie of all true and
truly devoted subiects, with their
righteous and religious
Head and Sove-
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